

# SANTA MONICA MOUNTAINS NORTH AREA PLAN



## SETTING

The Santa Monica Mountains North Area (SMMNA) encompasses the unincorporated portion of the Santa Monica Mountains north of the Coastal Zone Boundary. The North Area is surrounded by unique environmental characteristics that include steep mountains, rolling hills, canyons, streams, oak woodlands and distinctive rural communities.

The SMMNA also contains portions of the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area, a part of the National Park System. Most of the SMMNA is designated as a Significant Ecological Area.

## OVERVIEW

The Los Angeles County Department of Regional Planning is currently undergoing the process to update the Santa Monica Mountains North Area Plan (SMMNAP) and the Community Standards District (CSD). The previous SMMNAP was adopted in 2000. The SMMNAP and CSD serve as the guiding principles and regulations on how to approach development and protect our rich biodiversity in the North Area. Regional Planning will seek community input and feedback as the plan undergoes the review process and is ultimately reviewed by the Board of Supervisors.

## TIMELINE

- Spring 2017 – Fall 2017: Draft Plan & CSD
- Fall 2017: Final Plan & CSD
- Winter 2018 – Spring 2018: Draft EIR
- Spring – Summer 2018: Final EIR
- Fall 2018: Public Hearings – Regional Planning Commission and Board of Supervisors



## MEETING DATE:

August 16, 2017

### Location:

Malibou Lake Mountain Club  
29033 Lake Vista Drive  
Agoura Hills, CA 91301

**Time:** 6:30 pm

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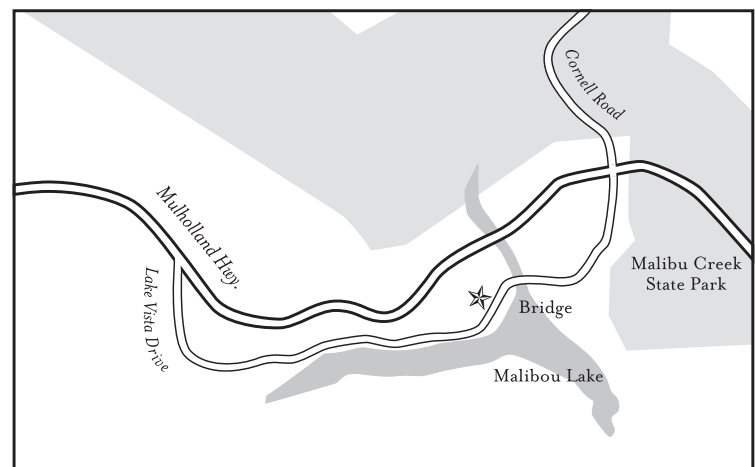
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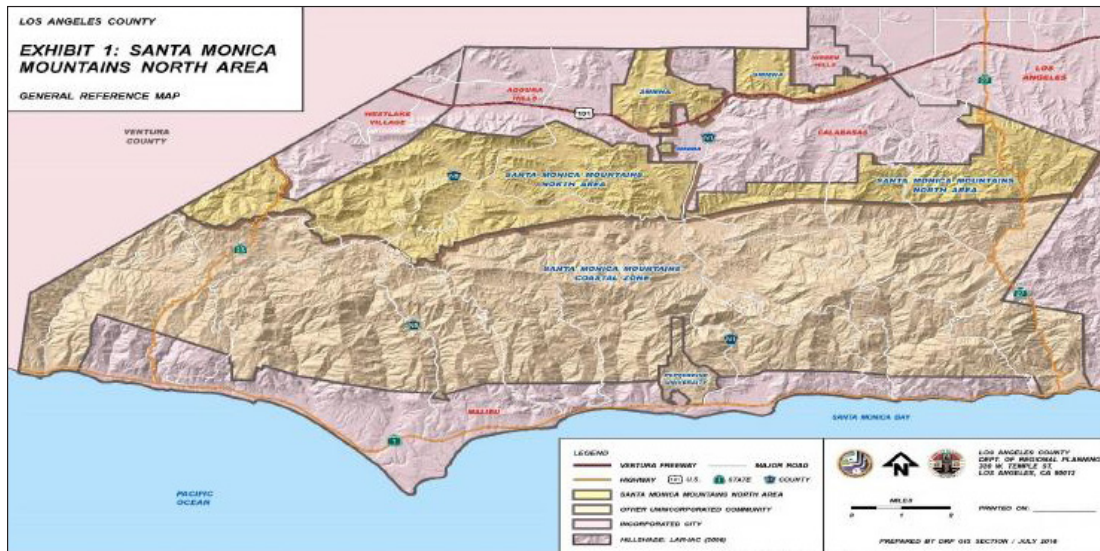
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## HABITAT CONSERVATION

The Santa Monica Mountains provide pristine habitat to many native wildlife. The SMMNAP will seek to provide protections to the natural habitats allowing for generations to enjoy.



## TREES

The SMMNAP will address the functions of native and non-native trees in the region. It will provide an analysis of how these two habitats have flourished with one another and indicate areas of concern.



## EQUESTRIAN

The Equestrian community has been a large part of recreational activities in the Santa Monica Mountains. Horseback riding allows homeowners the opportunity to explore the local community without the use of any motor vehicles. The goal of the SMMNAP and CSD update is to protect the equestrian heritage that is part of the fabric and way of life of the Santa Monica Mountains.



## WILDLIFE

The SMMNAP seeks to provide certain protections to the wildlife that also call the area home. As our region becomes more populous, native wildlife learn to live amongst people and other non-native wildlife. The SMMNAP will identify key wildlife such as mountain lions and other special bird species that may be in danger as the areas surrounding the North Area are developed.